

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:5553
ANSWERED ON:29.04.2010
PASSENGER AMENITIES
Pandey Shri Ravindra Kumar

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether there is lack of passenger amenities and basic facilities at Jharkhand and other railway stations in the country;
- (b) if so, the total number of railway stations where construction of passenger sheds has been included under the modernisation and expansion scheme of the Railways in the country including Jharkhand during the last three years and the current year;
- (c) the division-wise and zone-wise details of the expenditure incurred by the Railways during the aforesaid period and the names of stations benefited from the said scheme;
- (d) whether the Railways propose to expand passenger amenities at the small railway stations on the lines of the major railway stations of the country as well; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI K.H. MUNIYAPPA)

(a) to (e): A Statement is attached.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (e) OF UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 5553 BY SHRI RAVINDRA KUMAR PANDEY TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 29.04.2010 REGARDING PASSENGER AMENITIES

(a) to (c): No, Madam. Augmentation of passenger amenities at railway stations including provision/ expansion of platform shelters is a continuous process and works relating to these are taken up depending upon category of stations, number of passengers handled and relative priorities. Accordingly, 274 stations on all Zonal Railways including 16 stations in the State of Jharkhand have been identified for extension of platform shelters during the last three years.

Expenditure on works relating to provision/extension of platform shelters is incurred under Plan Head - `Passenger Amenities` Zone-wise details of the expenditure incurred by the Railways under this Plan Head during last three years, i.e. 2007-08, 2008-09 and 2009-10 and the names of stations where works of provision/extension of platform shelters have been completed are given in the enclosed Appendix.

(d) & (e): No, Madam.

The stations are categorized on the basis of annual passenger earnings of the station, and passenger amenities are provided according to the category of the station and norms fixed therefor.